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16 April 1965

Dear Mr. McCone,

Before your departure I want to say that the past three and one-half years working for you have been very demanding and very exhilarating. I consider this experience the most productive of my Government service. This would not have been so except for your deep personal concern in matters a portion of which have been my responsibility. Equally, it would not have been true except for the high standards of performance which I early discerned you expected and which I admire.

Throughout this period, differing views of the agencies on various important questions have been extraordinarily difficult for me to compose. In a few cases, it has been impossible. This I regret but recognize that they were matters only you and the Board could settle. My own resolve has been continually strengthened by my feeling that you firmly expected me to serve the Board instead of any agency's particular interest. My shortcomings and those of my committee have not been for want of trying. Overall, you have borne them with more patience than was deserved.

I am proud of your extraordinary and distinguished service to the Nation, to the USIB, and to the Agency. I deeply regret that it must now be terminated.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

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